IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Edward Duncan BLAIR et al.

International App. No.:

PCT/EP2003/007939

International Filing Date: July 17, 2003

Title:

TRANSGENIC ANIMAL MODELS OF

HRV WITH HUMANI ICAM-1 SEQUENCES

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

Sir:

Please amend the attached application as follows:

For the purposes of adding the priority information, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9.

The Abstract appears after page 9 of this paper.

In the Abstract:

Please substitute the attached Abstract, which has been placed on a separate sheet of paper according to US practice, as required under 37 CFR 1.72(b).